## Energy Committee Meeting Minutes June 5th, 2023 Old Schoolhouse Common & Zoom

Members In attendance: Nick Seifert, Anne Miller, Wes Cate.

Public: Bob Atchinson

- Public Comments
- Announcements
  - Nick comments on VLCT training
  - VPIRG affordable heat act "Learn about the affordable heat act"
  - From Bob: on June 11th, a "retirement party" at the Merrimack station coal plant. The last active coal plant in New England. Bob headed down, might have room if anyone wants to join.
- Agenda modification
  - Jaquith air conditioners Susan request to Rich
- Minutes approval
- Business
  - Plainfield Updates
    - Not too much going on in town, Bob figuring out some weatherization stuff. No plans yet.
    - Farmers market running Fridays 4-7.
  - Jaquith request about AC:
    - Susan is looking for help selecting an energy efficient AC unit, or two, for the Jaquith.
    - Nick will reach out to Susan about this and get some more information, and offer help.
  - Funding Opportunities / Legislative updates
    - EV Charging Station Grants PACE / NBRC Catalyst programs
      - <a href="https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/electric-programs/powering-affordable-clean-energy-pace-program">https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/electric-programs/powering-affordable-clean-energy-pace-program</a>
      - <a href="https://www.nbrc.gov/userfiles/files/">https://www.nbrc.gov/userfiles/files/"23%20Catalyst%20Program/NBRC%20Catalyst%20Program%20Overview.pdf">https://www.nbrc.gov/userfiles/files/"23%20Catalyst%20Program/NBRC%20Catalyst%20Program%20Overview.pdf</a>
      - EV Hosting survey
    - EV Bus updates
      - Nick to get an update from Mark Tucker on this for next meeting.
    - OSC Building updates
      - Nick to speak to the Selectboard tomorrow about LED lights for the OSC.
    - Food shelf updates
      - Mostly finished, waiting for the door, the basic structure is done. Some shelves have stuff on them already?
    - MERP / \$4000 Community grant ideas?
      - No updates.

- Upper Winooski Community Solar update
  - Wes mentioned No real updates on the Upper Winooski Community Solar. They have not heard from Kevin from Catamount.
- Enhanced Energy Plan / Town update
  - Nick to meet with the planning commission at their next meeting.
- Window Dressers
- Marshfield Municipal Solar / GMP Bill updates
  - Nick to get updated quotes from offtaking companies, as well as for a local, on the roof, or rack mount system.
- Selectboard Items:
  - GMP selectboard visit about dam
    - Nick gave an update on the selectboard.
  - OSC Lighting update
  - Air quality Sensor
- Tentative agenda for next time
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